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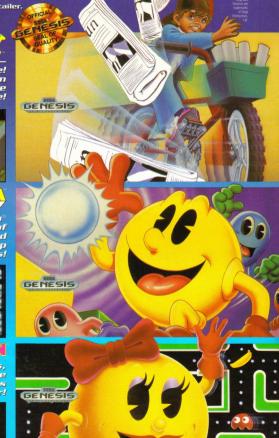
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on Sega for you.

Sega's World Tour was an enormous success, thanks to you. Turn to page 58 to find out who took home the prizes. We can't tell you how great it was to meet so many of you Sega gamers face to face -- although we hardly recognized some of you without your control pads.

We've only just gotten back from the World Tour, but there's no time to unpack our bags and put our feet up. We're on the road again, this time headed for the desert heat of Las Vegas and the always exciting 1992 Winter Consumer Electronics Show. We'll be showcasing the dynamite newestof-the-new games we've got lined up for Sega's triple threat: Genesis, Game Gear, and Master System.

Before you put this issue down and get back to some serious video gaming, take a look at the latest line-up for your Sega machine-of-choice. Plus, Sonic's back in two new versions for Game Gear and Master System -- see pages 30 and 46 for what's up in the hedgehog department.

Feeling the least bit artistic? We've got a totally new kind of Genesis cart to challenge your high-tech drawing

skills. It's all on page 19.

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The Game Doctor Answers The Most Commonly-Asked Sega Questions!

- Q: Congratulations on the magazine, because it's hot! I have a [suggestion], though: since this is an all-Sega magazine, can you give us an article about the history of Sega?
- A: That's a great idea; look for such an article in an upcoming issue of Sega Visions. Sega's been a leader in the video gaming industry from the beginning with groundbreaking early arcade games and the Genesis, Game Gear, and Sega Master System for home use, right up to the latest arcade "HoloGames", which use simulated holograms. Try these latest arcade hits, such as TIME Traveler and R 360 which is a wild air simulator where the player is strapped into a cockpit and experiences complete rotation in all directions!
- Q: I'm afraid you've made a mistake in the Winter 19909! issue of Sega Visions. You stated that the so-called rumors about a 32-bit game machine were all false. I've got news for you! There is now indeed the incredible "System 32". It's got a 32-bit processor, hundreds of megs and it features a game called Rad Mobile. I've played it at an arcade in Las Vegas. Soon you'll be able to order the 32-bit Giga Drive from Japan, which is actually a sitdown version of Rad Mobile.
- A: We didn't mean to mislead you when we originally answered this question. Sega Visions is a magazine for Sega home video game users, not arcade players. Although occasional arcade-based information appears (such as the news of a new home game on the way which is based on a current, popular Sega arcade title), this is a magazine about the Genesis System, Game Gear and Sega Master System. Rad Mobile is an arcade game so it can pack much more memory than a home system.

The original question referred to a 32-bit home system. There have been 32-bit machines in the U.S. for quite a while, but not for home use. Sega currently has no plans to release such a system. The announcement of yet another new home video game machine on the market would produce total

chaos among everyone from developers to retailers right down to you, the game players.

Arcade games are very different from home machines. Arcade games can be constructed modularly, with the monitor, RAM, SCPU, etc. all selected to suit the particular needs of that single game, while home machines must be able to play everything from state-of-the-art flight simulators to arcade, sports and RPGs. Comparing the two is like seeing some remarkable visual or sound effect in a feature-length animation film such as Disney's new "Beauty and the Beast" and wondering why you don't see comparable special effects in every epidode of "The Gummy Bears"!

The original question also asked about an "adapter" to "boost the Genesis up to 32-bit power". At the present time, Sega does not have such an adapter.

- Q: I have a few questions to ask the Game Doctor. Does the Genesis support graphic rotation, or does the software? Does the Genesis have graphic scaling capabilities? How did Sega upgrade the Genesis' maximum megabytes from eight to twelve? Finally, since the the Genesis has 16-bit and 8-bit processors, is [it possible to add them up] to one 24-bit CPU?
- A: The rotation is software supported, but when the CD comes out, it will handle both scaling and rotation. Genesis System has graphic scaling capabilities, as seen in Afterburner. Also, eight megabytes was never the limit for the Genesis System -- it may be able to handle as many as 16; the maximum number of megs the Genesis System can run isn't clearly defined yet. Right now, most of the computer experts are dedicating their time to compression -- in other words, getting the maximum speed and sizzle out of the fewest possible megs. As for the twin processors, they can't be "piggybacked". Instead, each are assigned different functions in order to produce the best possible results. The smaller processor, for example, is the workhorse when it comes to producing sound.

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There's no turning back's once you start Electronic Arts' Fatal Rewind. It'll have you walking up walls to survive a complex labyrinth. Enemies are everywhere, and water keeps rising, so get a move on or you're all wet.

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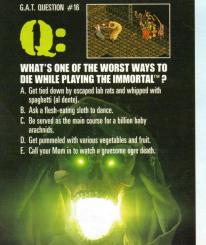
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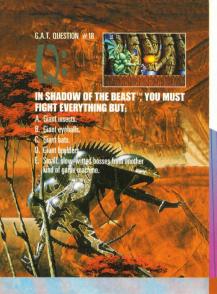




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ake a long hard look at your Genesis. Because after you've read this, you'll never look at it the same again.

Up to now, you sat down with your Genesis control pad in hand, and played with game characters on your Genesis System. Now you can do something completely new with your own artwork and animation that includes such Sega stars like Sonic and ToeJam & Earl!

You don't need a ton of artistic talent to have a blast with this one-of-a-kind cart because Art Alive has more than 50 graphics — including Sonic or Toe-Jam and Earl to backdrops — already-drawn for you, just waiting for your imagination to run wild.

Art Alive will turn you into an artist and your Genesis System into your artist's canvas. You can create anything -- fantasy worlds, incredible creatures, radical animation, whatever you want. All in righteous Genesis colors and outrageous patterns.

Whatever you create you can also animate! Whether you draw your own original art or use pictures from the Art Alive gallery, you can make your draw-ing run, skate, fly, and more. You can even make things twinkle as they move. This is a

really cool cart.

Not only can your creations move, you can make them "talk" by adding on-screen messages and captions. Put it all together, tape it on your VCR, and you've created your own cartoons! The possibilities are endless. Look out, Walt Disney!

The neat part is that it's

as easy as pressing a button or two. Art Alive gives you a tool-box of art tools, colors, and patterns so you can draw circles ovals, squares, rectangles, curves, or free form using your trusty control pad. Fill in shapes with colors or patterns. There's a spray can for special effects, and an eraser so you can change your mind as you go. If you want to start over, you can undo what you've done.



Each tool has its own sound or music: the spray can swooshes, the eraser brushes, the fill bucket plays a musical scale.

Art Alive has colors, animations, and features few computer art programs have. It opens up a whole dimension for Genesis...and you!

GALAXY FORCE II.

Deep in the heart of most arcades are those games—you know the ones, those radical space-type shooting games that grip and hold you until you lose track of time and run out of quarters. The intergalactic ones that command your complete attention, that give you the satisfaction that can only come from blasting enemy after enemy out of the sky.

One of the most awesome arcade shooters is now being unleashed for Genesis. You're going to love the thrills and action of Galaxy Force II. This eight-mega, one-player cart blasts you through the ter-rors

and challenges of space and alien planets. With Genesis as your co-pilot, you control one heavy duty, swept-wing attack craft that tears up galaxies at hyperspeed.

You charge right in on those rotten enemy aliens, filling the screen with explosive action. Bank and dodge incoming arsenals as you keep your eyes peeled for good shooting vantage points. Then launch your torpedoes and fire your missiles as fast as your fingers can pound the control buttons. Annihilate attacking enemy gunships and wipe out bloodthirsty armies of robots. Demolish speeding meteors and unpredictable asteroids.



GOLDEN



Be careful using your magic, because you never know when you'll get more.

Get rid of the skeletons before taking on the headless knight.

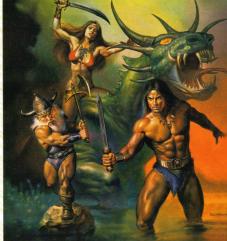
Practice your attack skills!



ince the Death Adder breathed its last, the land has been peaceful. But behind that quiet, a powerful evil has been gathering force, building ominously like a giant thundercloud ready to burst and rain destruction on the land. Dark Guld is ready to unleash his odious scheme to plunge the world into ruinous chaos.

And he has the Golden Axe, that symbol of peace and prosperity. The time has come once again to turn to Ax-Battler, Tyris-Flare, and Gilius Thunderhead for help. And another righteous adventure.

It's Golden Axe II and it's totally awesome. This sequel



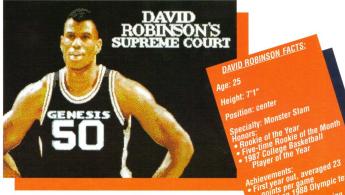
carries on the Golden Ave tradition in grand style, with more magic, new battle moves, and sinister enemies. There's nothing dull about this fast-paced cart.

Which character will you play? There's Tyris-Flare the Amazon, who can swing a mean sword, has a back flip attack that gets her out of tight spots, and is an expert with fire magic. Ax-Battler the Barbarian is handy with a sword, levels enemies with a powerful upper swing, and can unleash tornadoes. And Gilius Thunderhead the Dwarf wields a mighty battle axe, which he also uses for spinning kicks, and has the power to call forth giant hailstones. Golden Axe II has six stages of non-stop action you can play alone or with a

friend. Between the regular game stages you take on bonus stages where you can stock up on those indispensable magic books, bread, and meat by defeating wizards. Sharpen your fighting skills in The Duel, a 15-stage battle that pits you against opponents of progressively increasing power. Or Duel it out against a friend.

Look for strange but highly useful creatures known as Bizarrians. If you can steal them from your enemies, hop on and you're immune to attack!

Be forewarned: your journey will be filled with danger. You'll face minotaurs, skeletons, demons, a headless knight, and ultimately (if you survive), Dark Guld himself. The time to start is now; the Golden Axe awaits.



Achievements: • First year out, averaged 23 • First year out, averaged 23 points per game points per game • Played on 1988 Olympic team nterests: Golf, composing nusic, playing the piano,





he unmistakable sound of rubber soles squeaking on parquet. The jump and -- yes! The ball is slammed in! You hear the crowd go wild!

Sega has taken the incredible thrill of pro basketball and packed it into this allnew, dynamite cart. You get all the sights, all the sounds and all the action. Nothing matches what you'll see -- and hear.

Sega took actual basketball footage and digitized the filmed images. The result is astounding. Every dribble, throw-in, fake and pass is totally natural. The animation is smooth, real, and heart stopping. You see 20 players, each with his own special moves, as they block, steal, and run with elbows swinging and long powerful legs pumping. We guarantee you've never seen anything like this in a video basketball game before. Every move -- from Rookie-of-the-year David Robinson's signature Monster Slam to jump shots. tomahawk slam dunks, reverse lay-ups and 360° spin slam dunks will blow you away.

The action is fast. The speed is unbelievable. You play with a 3/4 view of the court, seen from the side like on TV. You can see virtually all the

players all the time, so you won't miss a single fast break or slam.

Choose up teams from 20 players and play in tournament mode. Once you're good enough, you'll face off against Robinson and his hand-picked team of top players.

In between quarters and at half time, you're in the TV booth with the star rookie himself for some in-depth game analysis.

You've got to see and hear this cart. It's awesome. This is video B-ball at its best.



STREETS OF RAGE

You were dedicated Police Officers. You hit the streets and started making arrests, only to find out the Syndicate controls the Police. Discredited and kicked off the force, you and your friends decide it's payback



characters are formidable. Whichever character you choose, the array of attack moves are incredible. If using two players, each pick an area to patrol - you don't want to beat-up eachother. Just like in real lighting, timing is essential.

You will become surrounded at times. When this happens jump into a clear area and start punching. Use your special attacks only when you face the boss at the end of each round. These bosses are very quick and powerful; you will need to improvise to survive.

Phone booths, trash cans and airvents to name a few, hide valuable items and power boosts. These boosts will enable you to survive the round. When you reach the final round, the Mob Boss will ask you to join his Organization. What do you think is it payback time!?

GUACKSM

Starring Donald Duck

If you like adventures, you'll love Quackshot starring Donald Duck. This cart takes you from Duckburg to the South Pole and from Mexico to Treasure Island. You will travel the world searching for answers to unlock the secret of the Great Duck Treasure. Unfortunately, you're not the only one looking for it. The Ducky Gang is in hot pursuit. You will receive help along the way however, from Mickey, Goofy and others. They provide you with special items you will need to find the trea-



you will have to learn to time your moves as well as your shooting. This will help save your fire-power for later in the game. When in a location go as far as you can before flying to another location. This will help you when you return - you won't have to start at the beginning again.

- Because the Ducky Gang is looking for the treasure too, you will have to flight them along the way. Your gun will shoot anything; it will even hit bad guys on the next screen. The Ducky Gang has Gangsters in every location, so be careful!
- Only when you discover the answers to the clues, will you reach your final destination - Great Duck Treasure Island! Here you will have to defeat your own lears as well as a hoard of attackers before you can claim the Lost Treasure! Daisy will be proud of you when she sees the treasure you bring her!

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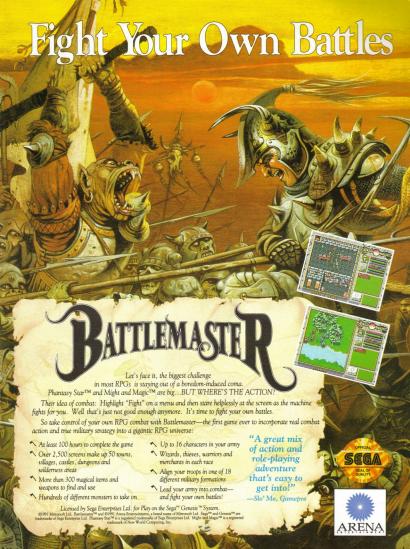
If action is what you like, this RPG is definitely for you! The evil Dark Sol has kidnapped your father and the Princess Jessa. Having proven your abilities, you are asked by King Drake to enter the Labyrinth and rescue his daughter. Driven by the desire to find your father, you accept this challenge.

Don your armor

Don your armor - you'll need it!

you will require many healing herbs until you learn your way. Upgrade your armor quickly. Your ability to move up hinges on deteating the KaiserKrab. However, tangling with it too early will prove deadly. Move up a few levels first.

- As you prove yourself, you will be joined by two companions, their magic abilities will prove useful, but save the magic tor real emergencies. As their levels increase, so does their magic; the spells will allow you to defeat many of the creatures you will face.
- Your final battle will require all your ability to win; utilize your resources wisely. Dark Sol is not invulnerable; however, he is formidable. His powers will drain you and your party. But remember - light will overcome darkness - you are the shining knight!



MARIO LEMIEUX



old steel cuts into the ice as blades flash with each powerful thrust. Players tear up the rink, the puck shooting ahead. The stickwork is staggering, the passing unbelievable. The defense hasn't got a prayer.

Ferocious speed and dynamic hockey action set Mario Lemieux Hockey far above the ranks of ordinary hockey games. This one or twoplayer cart has it all: closeups of all the totally realistic action, a full pro 16-team tournament season, body checks, 90-mph slap shots, and lots more.

A top-ranked sports game, Mario Lemieux Hockey gives you lots of choices and options. For example, you have the option to battle it out through a four-round tournament, or play an exhibition game, choosing your team and the opposing team.

You even control whether the play is strictly by the book or more lenient. You decide how strict the ref is going to be, and set the length of the periods, from a down-and-dirty five minutes on up to the regulation 20 minutes.

As you play, the 14-page Stat Book keeps running totals for both teams.

You don't even have to

play a game. Choose Shootout mode, and you add an edge to both your shooting and goal tending skills while keeping the competition sizzling with the computer or a friend.

We highly recommend Mario Lemieux Hockey to all Segaphiles, especially you hockey jocks. Face off with this cart, and you'll agree it's the hottest thing on ice.

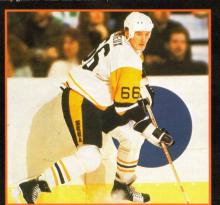


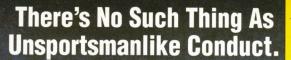
Try starting off on the slower beginner level. You get a bigger range of hitting positions, and can get the feel of the play before taking off at full tilt

Pass as much as you can because the puck moves faster than you can



Look for the special edition of Mario Lemieux Hockey that includes a hockey puck – 100 pucks are signed by Mario Lemieux himself!







In the year 2100, Speedball 2 is the only Speedball 2 is the only sport in town. It's a vicious game of physical dominance, animalistic intimidation and reckless destruction. Sure, strategy's vital to scoring points. But only raw force can keep you alive. So don't even think about whining when you take a cheap-shot—because it only gets worse.

- Digitized speech and music with choice sound effects
- · Three different game modes
- Wide variety of player armor and equipment
- Instant Replay of all goals and match highlights



Make player trades, roster changes and equipment purchases on your way to the WSI title



Hit the deadly playfield—with its countless scoring opportunities—and always watch your back.

"A futuristic,

hard-hitting contest that challenges the mind as well as the reflexes!"

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SEGA GENESIS 16 BIT

engen trashes the rulebook and heaves out clean fighting with its powerhouse translation of the arcade hit Pit Fighter. The hand-to-hand fights are raw, and absolutely nothing is off limits.

And we mean absolutely nothing. When kicks, body slams, and punches aren't enough, you start slinging anything you can get your hands on: knives, crates, bar stools, barrels, even a motorcycle. And if the onlookers don't think there's enough action going on, they're likely to beat on you themselves. Kinda adds a whole new dimension to the term spectator sport.

There are three pit fighters you can choose from, depending on what style of brawl you want. Buzz used to be a pro wrestler, and he's your man if you're after sheer power. He gets in there with a wicked body slam, a formidable pile driver, and a head butt that sends 'em flying. Ty's your choice for agility. He's a kick boxing champ, and unleashes nasty spin and flying kicks as well as a rugged roundhouse. Last but far from least is Kato. with a 3rd degree black belt. He's tops for speed, and his special mayhem includes a devastating combo punch, jaw-cracking flip kick, and a potent backhand.

Your opponents are no wimps, either, and there are 10 rounds of them. They have the same disrespect for fighting fair as you do. The Executioner and Southside Jim are two of the "easier" ones, but their fists are lethal weapons. Angel is anything but angelic — she's heavily into low-down, dirty fighting!





PIT-FIGHTER

It gets tougher. There's Heavy Metal and C.C. Rider, who's big, powerful, and likely to make you glad this is a video game and not a real fight. But Chainman Eddie is even nastier and rougher: watch out for his charge or you're a dead man.

Our game partners have come up with some great titles

ism. The combat is intense, vicious and outrageously nasty. This cart is incredibly close to the original arcade version, and an all-out blast to play.

The only way to get to Angel is to just keep punching. Keep on top of Heavy Metal and don't give him any room.

Grab power pills: they make you briefly invulnerable.



this year, and Pit Fighter is --

action (ouch) for the graphics,

so expect jaw-shattering real-

best. Tengen digitized live

no contest -- one of the all-time

KID (HAMELEON Sega Genesis

Most hip people wear helmets for protection. Kid Chameleon wears 'em for mystical powers.

Kid Chameleon changes form when he wears the helmets. He's one ultra-cool dude who usually hangs in L.A. But now he's trapped in the 10 worlds of Elsewhere, and in spite of all his coolness, he needs these magical helmets to get away from a crazy cast of bizarre enemies and to get home. In the samurai helmet, he becomes a Japanese warrior. Don the winged helmet, and he can fly. In the combat helmets, too. With over 100 levels of block-busting game play, you're using you brood man!



MAIOR LEAGUE BASEPALL MAIOR LEAGUE BALL PLAYERS TALK BISEBALL SPONTS SEGRE GENERALS

Sega's about to release a second cart in their totally righteous, totally exclusive new series of Sports Talk games. Based on all pro players' styles and stats from the 1991 season, MLBPA Sports Talk Baseball has great two-player action. A realistic voice gives you non-stop,



play-by-play calls. This cart has big league play with individual batting styles: bat held high, crouching, and more! You'll recognize Nolan Ryan, Jose Canseco, Daryl Strawberry, Ricky Henderson and others, as the diamond springs into dynamite

Once out, this car will be going, going, gone! WONDER BOY IN MONSTER WORLD Sega Genesis



Biomecha and an army of monsters may have everyone too terrorized to venture outside, but Wonder Boy is not so easily scared. In his epic action adventure, he travels through dark castles, underground caverns, and stratospheric strongholds, discovering secret doors and rooms full of weapons and power-ups. As he meets friends who can help, and solves puzzle after puzzle, you gradually unearth the true story of Biomecha's insidious

Intricate passageways lead through mystery, secrets, and surprising plot twists. Each new weapon you collect alters your powers...and your adventures.

SONIC . THE HEDGEHOG

"Sonic is pretty fabulous..."
-Money
Magazine

Sonic and the evil Ivo Robotnik have faced off on Genesis, Master System, and in their own comic book. And they're at it again, this time on the portable Game Gear system.

Now everyone's favorite hedgehog is not only the fastest video critter in red sneakers, he's everywhere! With the Game Gear edition, video hounds can play this cart not just in homes but in cars, on the streets, in schools, everywhere!

As always, Sonic The
Hedgehog is a blast and a
half to play. Leaping,
running, and rolling with
lightning speed, Sonic
keeps the action hopping

and the control buttons bopping through all six great levels, each with three awesome acts.

Robotnik has transformed Sonic's animal friends into 10 different kinds of robotic beasts, all with a bloodlust for hedgehogs. It's up to Sonic to smash into these Badniks and free his friends -- unless the evil Badniks get him first.

Whenever you see gold rings and shields, grab 'em. They offer Sonic protection from the endless army of attacking Badniks.

The gold rings are also Sonic's pass into Bonus Stages -- if he has enough, he has a chance to bounce like a ball in a giant pinball machine, ricocheting at a fast and furious pace as he collects more gold

rings, continues, and powerups. But if his brain gets scrambled and his time expires, he loses all. So keep your wits about you.

Even if you've played the Genesis version, you'll find some new surprises here. For one thing, there are three new zones. Also, you'll find chaos emeralds in all zones. And if you thought the Bonus Zones were challenging on Genesis, wait till you try them with a time limit!

Sonic zooms up and down the lush hills of the Green Hill Zone, past futuristic palm trees, totem poles, and treacherous valleys filled with piercing spikes. He survives if he can catapul to rswing over the spikes. Be on the lookout for Chopper, Motobug, Crabmeat, and the Buzz Bomber. Sonic goes underground to negotiate paths with more spikes and more Badniks.

Sonic next faces the Bridge Zone (a new zone), where his jumping is put to the test as bridges give way beneath him. And while this is going on, Chopper, Spiked Motorbug, and Buzz Bomber are after him. Learn to use the see-saws in this zone for extra high jumps. The second act is especially tricky, when the game scrolls and Sonic has notoice but to keep moving forward, he has very little time to plan his jumps.

In the Jungle Zone (another new zone) with exotic red flowers and vines, Sonic has to jump across dangerous rivers -- there's little room for jumping goofs here. Newtron

joins the Badniks in making Sonic's life difficult.

Then it's on to the Labyrinth, where Sonic steps into some gross, green slime and slides into an underwater maze. Sonic may be great, but he can't breathe underwater! Not only do you have to get him out of there fast (like, before he drowns), you've got to keep an eye out for the hedgehog-chomping Jaws.

After his underwater adventure, he has to undergo the Scrap Brain Zone, Robotnik's metallic maze of horror. Conveyor belts transport. Sonic to safety...or to his demise. It's very hard to get Sonic through the orange flames and demonic machinery. Sonic can get disoriented and squished all too easily in this zone.

Should Sonic live, he comes face to face with Robotnik himself in his immense blue and red fortress of evil in the Sky Base Zone, which is new. Robotnik launchess missiles, bullets, laser beams, and Badniks at him. And then the two square off with each other for the final climatic act.

Games like Sonic The Hedgehog don't come around that often, so it's great that all Segaphiles, no matter what machine they jam on, now can get in on the super Sonic action. Sonic The Hedgehog is destined to be one of the all-time classic video games. If you haven't given Sonic a test drive yet, fasten your seat belt and cut him loose!



"Sonic has three speeds: Fast, Faster, and What Was That?" -Philadelphia Daily News

> "Sonic The Hedgehog is quite simply one of the best video games I've ever played." -Entertainment Weekly

"Rating on a scale of 1-5: Graphics 5; Sound 5, Control 5. Overall Rating 5 (for excellence)." -Disney Adventures



In the Jungle, you can jump to tree branches. But lookout for the ones with spikes on them.



Collect all six chaos emeralds if you want to see the real ending.



Use the air bubbles to get through the underwater maze. And get out fast!

Take care with those bridges! If Sonic touches the water, it's all over.



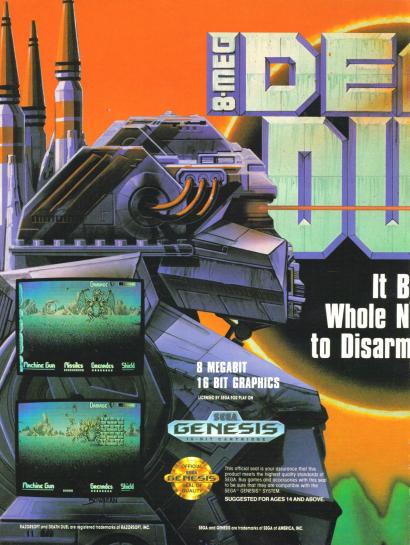
Move slowly in Robotnik's fortress.

"The little blue dude with the spiked haircut [is] slamming, jamming and rolling his way into the hearts of video gamers everywhere." -Thunder Bay Chronicle

"Sonic is more animated than Mario...If the game player is too slow, Sonic stands there and taps his foot." -San Francisco Examiner

"Sonic The Hedgehog is going to be the next major video-game star. In his first game, he out-does the Mario Brothers." -Staten Island Advance















Position the pitcher and catcher on opposite far corners with the pitcher on the side of the batter. Then unleash a fastball that the batter usually can't be connected with.



Fielders run faster than base runners, so if your opponent gets in a pickle, its easier to chase him down instead of throwing him out.

ired of baseball video diamonds with fictitious teams and players? Clutch Hitter for the Sega Game Gear has arrived and is the only video baseball game to be endorsed by the Major League Baseball Players Association. All the players. statistics, and twenty-six baseball teams of both American and National Leagues are in the power of your hands. You can swing the bat as Jose Canseco, launch a fastball from the fingertips of Roger Clemens, or steal bases all game long as Ricky Henderson. They're all in your control. Not to be satisfied with just the

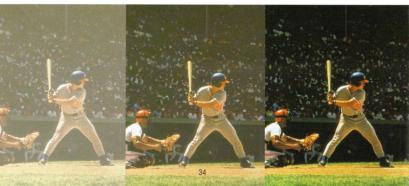
MLBPA endorsement, Sega has also programmed into this Game Gear cartridge all the action that makes baseball America's favorite pastime.

The pitchers' arsenal is impressive to say the least. You have four basic pitches, but can use the D button to change the direction of the ball and blow away the batters. Careful selection of pitches is your only guarantee of victory. Clutch Hitter captures the classic confrontation between the batter and the pitcher by using the first person perspective of both players.

In the field, you must

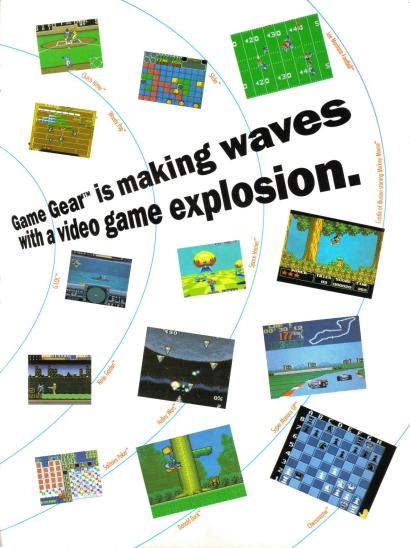
snag ground balls, grab long drives and make perfect throws to get you out of the inning. At the plate, the batter can move anywhere within the batter's box to get the most power on the ball. The batter can either swing for the fence, check swing, or go for the sacrifice bunt. Once on the bases, runners can lead or steal, but don't get caught off guard by the catcher.

You have the choice to play a 5, 7, or 9 inning game, and the fact that you're gaming with the actual players and statistics of the Major League puts Clutch Hitter on a pedestal above all others.











Dimes and ducks are missing! And the only one who can save the day is famous for his fowl temper!

As our game begins, Donald's nephews are kidnapped and Uncle Scrooge's lucky dimes are stolen by the wicked, evil sorceress Magica de Spell. Donald sets out on a perilous journey to rescue his nephews from the clutches of Magica's henchmen, and to "search the corners of the globe to retrieve Uncle Scrooge's lucky dimes. The lives and safe return of Huey, Duey, and Louie

are
Donald's
first goal,
and so his
quest
begins.

The nephews are being held captive in the forests. swamps and marshlands of America. and the mysterious temples of South America. A cast of villains must be dealt with

by Donald before his nephews will be safe. They include poisonous spiders, lethal mushrooms, killer bees, hungry piranha, coiled pythons, birds of prey, possessed statues, looming vultures, and bat-wielding temple guards.

Donald must also overcome natural obstacles by making difficult jumps across cliffs,
dodging falling stalactites, and
avoiding the booby traps that
are strewn in the South
American temple. Lucky for
Donald though that he is
equipped with a wooden hammer; has the ability to pick up
throwing disks along the way,
and he can also eliminate the

THE LUCKY DIME CAPER

STARRING DONALD DUCK

foes by pouncing on their heads with his webbed feet.

Once Donald has his nephews in sight, a large monster boss makes one final attempt to stop him. A grizzly bear along with his killer bear friend guards Louie. Duey is being imprisoned by a ferocious lion that makes mad dashes to take a bite out of Donald.

Lastly, the gods of South America bring a stone statue to life which hurls a glowing orb that rolls at Donald in an attempt to make duck soup out of him. In the

second stage Donald must recover the lucky dimes from Magica de Spell's black crows.

are hidden deep within a stronghold in a Polynesian village, the cursed tombs of the most feared pyramid in Egypt, and within an arctic fortress of the South Pole. Donald must defeat angry natives, firebreathing statues, lava eruptions, swift scorpions, sand vipers, frantic mummies, renegade snow beasts, and sawtoothed sharks. If Donald overcomes these evil beasts, and avoids the challenging obstacles, he must confront each of the hideously evil crows. Defeat the crows, collect the lucky dimes, then it's up to you and Donald to take care of Magica de Spell once and for all.

Use the hammer in all of the levels except the Egyptian tomb, and the South Pole.



To defeat the god statue boss, avoid the ball, and jump up and crush the statue with the hammer. Once this is done hit the floating head with the hammer.



There are 1-ups galore in the higher branches of the forest and the swamp.



Pick up much needed powerups and the throwing disks in the first door within the Eavotian tomb.

fter repeated assaults by the evil Lord Halley, our planet is bracing for a final, deadly attack. He's on his way with a massive arsenal, and the world is looking to you and your high-tech attack spacecraft as a last hope of survival.

Winning won't be easy. Not only must you keep a sharp eye out for the enemy, you've got to blow-up asteroids while avoiding collisions and dodging Halley's Comet.

Be especially careful of the asteroids - when you blow them up, some increase your power, your speed, or give you additional explosive pods. But if they get by you, they'll hit the Earth and cause some nasty damage.



Capture those points! The higher your score, the better your chances of repairing some of Earth's damage.

Be wary of debris-laden areas: a collision could cost you your ship!



If enough collide with the Earth, the world is destroyed and the game is over.

Halley Wars is seven levels of fast shooting mega-speedy game play. The firing is constant and relentless, so don't let up for a second. Keep your thumb on button 1 at all times, or go down in flames.

Halley Wars lets you set the difficulty level and your weapon speed, giving you some control over your game. But there's plenty of challenge to keep you glued to your Game Gear.

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Chessmaster follows the classic rules, and offers additional options: Play a friend, play the Chessmaster, or watch the game play itself. In a game against the Chessmaster, you can switch sides, offer a draw, or ask for a checkmate solution. You can replay a move, rotate the chessboard, or arrange the game pieces to create and solve your own chess challenges.

We predict Chessmaster will become indispensable for chess fans, and will create a lot of new chess players. The next move is yours!

haven't got a clue how they did it, but they did. Sega translated its big arcade hit Space Harrier into an exciting action-shooter for the handheld Game Gear. Chalk up another victory for Sega's technical wizards.

And chalk up another winner for Segaphiles on the go. Space Harrier makes the transition with its speed, action, and challenge intact. If you aren't familiar with the arcade game, you're in for an awesome surprise.

You're the Space Harrier, called in to save an unusual world called Dragonland. Filled with a strange landscape and bizarre beings, Dragonland's 12 levels will be a real test of your digital dexterity. The non-stop action is fast and furious as you do your best to dodge obstacles while firing

at the enemies that are closing in on all sides. And if they crash into you, they'll eat you! There are more than 20 enemies. The mean ones will

SPACE HARRIER



take pot shots at you, and the meaner ones can't be destroyed. And then there are the enemy leaders -- all 12 are real control button busters. We're happy to see Space Harrier has a password system so you can stop to eat or something, then pick up where you left off. You can continue a game up to three times if the enemy keeps wiping you out. But your score gets wiped out as well.

Have a blast with Space Harrier!



Put your invincibility in the bonus stages (#4 and #8) to good use. You'll rack up 50,000 points for each enemy you zap through. Remember to avoid run-

Remember to avoid running into enemies as you fire on them



Lutt & Lutter

lright golf fanatics. You say

that one golf game on the go is not enough? Well putting masters, test your skills on the miniature golf course in *Putt & Putter* on your Game Gear.

Think this is a game for the inexperienced? Think again. It takes lots of skill to complete this 18 hole monster. Obstacles are unavoidable. The ball must roll its way up steep hills, around pinball bumpers, and away from boulders. When walls are present, they cause the ball to ricochet endlessly. Where the walls are missing,

the ball may take a nosedive in the water hazards. Putt & Putter is truly a game of angles where the banking of the ball will make the difference between completing the course, or packing your putter away for another time.

You start the game with only five gof balls are added or taken away depending on how many strokes it took to complete the hole. Strokes under par will add golf balls; strokes over subtract balls. You control the angle of your strokes. Whether you bounce the ball off the walls for the riskier short cut, or go for the longer but safer



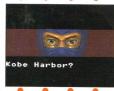
straight shot, it's all up to you. You decide the power you put on the ball. Either blast the ball up the hills of the course, or utilize the soft touch to set up your next shot.

It's going to take many tries to reach the 18th hole. To help you, use the continue mode or password feature. And use the Gear-to-Gear cable for head to head competition with a fellow Game Gear player.

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 Ninja Gaiden takes you around the world in an exciting quest packed with Ninjutsu fighting, magic, and mystery.
 The story unfolds as you play the game, revealing clues and details after each stage.

First, you must discover who and where the enemy is. In Stage One, you're embattled in the hills of Kyoto, searching

for the Monk of the Red Tiger Cult. He can tell you about the gang that wants the

Dragonsword. There's only one catch: he'll tell you only after you've fought and defeated him.

Stage Two takes place in Kobe Harbor, where your task is to find General Totenkoff. He has more clues and information you desperately need, but he won't part with them willingly. Once again, you must defeat your informant.

Travel to Hong Kong for Stage Three. Now you're after the sinister Mr. Tsin, a powerhouse of a fighter with a spinning back kick that's known and feared. If his kick can't reach you, his trigger finger might.

• Finally, you wake up in Stage Four, set in the ruins of India. You've been knocked out with sleeping gas. But pull your wits about you, because you are very near your prey. You must fight as though your life and honor depended on it -because they do.

Ninja Gaiden gives you a full arsenal to fight with. Pots of herbs add to your life level. 1-ups add extra lives. The circling flame protects Ryu from attacks.

Collect magic items to perform spells, including energy shurikens, waves, enemy seeking rings, and scatter bombs. But you can hold only one item at a time, so be careful in choosing which you need most. Also, you must have enough force to use each item.

Ninja Gaiden is a dyna-

mite addition to the Game Gear line-up. If you like watching mysteries unfold and like using your mental as well as fighting skills, this is one cart you don't want to miss.



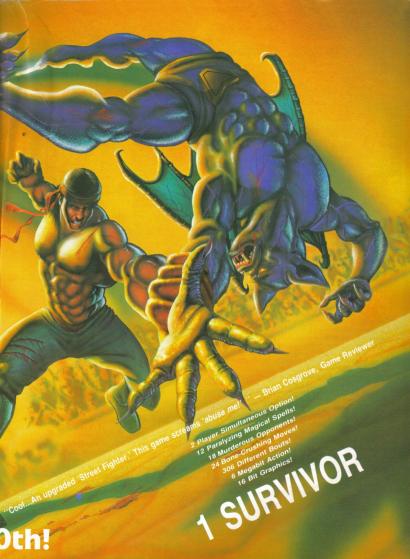


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5 onic The Hedgehog is here for the Sega Master System!
Not wanting to keep Sonic just for play on the Genesis system, Sega's bringing Sonic to you on all their game systems. The Master System version contains the great features of the Genesis version and adds an outrageous bonus stage all on its own.

As you know, the sinister Dr. Robotnik has turned all of Sonic's friends into the vicious metal warriors (Badniks) that ruthlessly control the land, water, and skies. Sonic is blessed with unlockable speed and a lethal jumproll, but the Badniks and the dangerous terrains are so challenging that Sonic will have to make use of the generous powerups that appear in computer monitors in each stage. The monitors may contain invincibility, super shoes, ten rings, a ring shield, or even a 1-up.

Sonic's quest is multi-fold. He must collect gold rings to store energy, build 1-ups, and gain entrance in the bonus rounds. He must collect the carefully hidden gems that are scattered all through the six zones. Sonic must destroy any of the robot horrors, (Badniks), that block his path. Lastly, and most importantly, Sonic is committed to end the cruel reign of Dr. Robotnik once and for all.

Sonic begins his long journey in the lush green landscape of the Green Hill Zone. The rolling hills are filled with gold rings and computer monitors containing power-ups, but are equally as filled with the Badniks. Springs, wooden swings, and hedgehog piercing spikes are found both on top and below in the underground water ways of the green hills.

Sonic then makes his way through the perilous Bridge Zone. Bridges of all types form a pathway over the turbulent waters below. The bridges are broken away in parts and even collapse under Sonic's feet. Robotnik rocket bees patrol the

SONIC
THE HEDGEHOG

air while piranha leap out of the water for a little nibble on our blue hero. The screen moves quick here, so Sonic's jumps are going to have to be quick and precise.

Vines and wild flowers flourish in the Jungle Zone. Sonic climbs the vines and makes his way across the raging rivers of the jungle by jumping on floating logs. The current makes jumping difficult, and carved spikes unfortunately cover log platforms. Crabmeat and Newtron infest the jungle and complicate Sonic's travels. Some of the logs in the savage rivers give way to our hedgehog's weight, and Sonic has only a few precious seconds to move on, or be lost forever in the rapids.

The quest reaches a new level of challenge at the Labyrinth Zone. Sonic is stuck in an underwater maze where death is almost certain. Sonic can not breathe underwater, and will drown after only a minute without air. Luckily, air pockets exist in the stone block bottom, and bubbles rise

slowly to the surface with one of his patented spin jumps to breathe air again. Schools of Robotniks swim in these waters, and spikes and arrows cover the floors and ceilings of this horrific maze below sealevel.

Robotnik's hideout is getting closer as Sonic approaches the Scrap Brain Zone. This zone is a cold metal maze and is compromised of fire-spraying guns that hang from the ceiling, conveyor belts, switches that operate doors, and springs that send Sonic flying through the air. Transporter pods beam Sonic to other areas of the maze, and Sonic must master their use to locate the only exit. Every endless corridor must be explored for Sonic to find his way.

Lastly, Sonic must complete his task high above the ground on the platforms and aboard Robotnik's flying fortress in the Sky Base Zone. Lightning bolts illuminate the sky, but burn to a crisp any unsuspecting hedgehogs. Laser guns fire unmercifully at Sonic as he makes his way closer to the base. Motorized platforms are the only transportation to the launching pad of Robotnik's blimp. The blimp is fortified with closing spiked walls, exploding mines, and immense cannons with an endless supply of ammo. Sonic must learn the firing pattern of the guns if he is going to succeed. If he avoids these obstacles, he will confront Robotnik for the final battle.

Sonic The Hedgehog for the Master System is packed to perfection. The graphics are eyepopping, and the imaginative and varying gameplay of each zone make this game a masterpiece. The bonus stages are a game all in themselves and add yet another dimension to this cartridge powerhouse. Sega game players will need to try this one out to understand the true power of their Master Systems!

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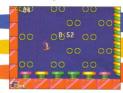


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SONIC THE HEDGEHOG CONTINUES...



Always carry at least one ring, and never open the arrow monitors on the first two levels, so you can go back and collect more rings. Before you go off to battle in act three of the jungle zone, fall in the water to the right to discover a secret 1-up.





Stay on the left platform of the maze to beat Robotnik yet another time. Let his shots fly over your head, and only attack him when he descends from above. You just have to move from left to right to avoid his torpedoes.

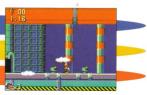
In the Bonus Stage, the most valuable item is the Continue Monitor. If you can collect it and make it out the exit before time expires, you've succeeded.



To defeat Robotnik at the end of the Bridge Zone, attack him from the middle platform then jump on the platform furthest away from him. Immediately after he fires his weapon jump in between the middle and top fireballs, and land back on the middle platform. Repeat.

Robotnik is tough in the jungle zone. But to dispose of him, attack him at the far ends of the vine when he descends. Jump from left to right to avoid the bowling balls and stay out of the middle





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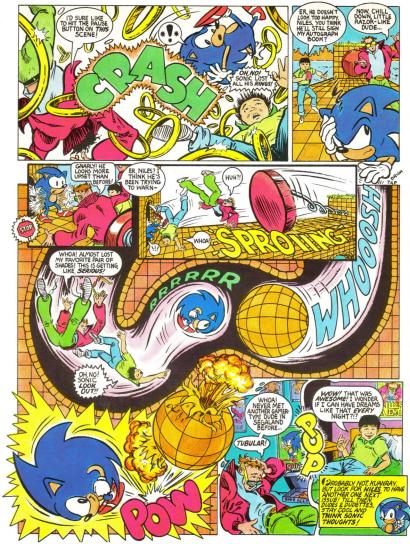




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Great Sega Brush-Off: The Final Chapter, Part II

Honorable Mention Joseph Zamora Concoran, CA



As promised, we've got some more great Brushoff art for you to feast your eyes on. This time around, we're showing the Runner's Up and Honorable Mention win-

Thanks to all our Sega game players for sending such incredible entries. Keep on the look out for the next Sega VISIONS contest!

Best Sonic The Hedgehog Runner-Up Shaun O'Neil





Best Unusual Medium Runner-Up Patrick J. Murray Oceanport, NJ



Best Game Gear Runner-Up Corey McClane Wayne, NJ



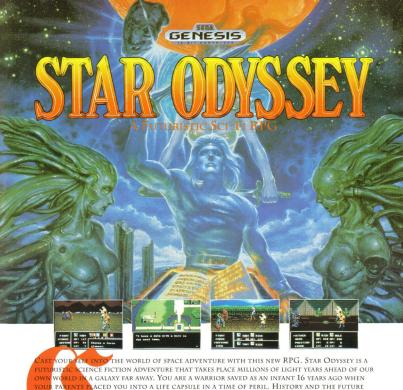


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For nine weeks this fall, we took the Sega World Tour to malls in 25 cities across the country, from Baltimore to San Jose, from Seattle to Pittsburgh. We let the gamers decide, in head-tohead competition, which systems were the best. Players tested Sega Genesis with Sonic The Hedgehog against Nintendo's Super NES with Super Mario World.

Everywhere we went, it was the same thing: Sega always came out on top. And not by a little. A big, walloping 88% of the more than 26,000 players who participated said Sega Genesis was best. Only 11% of the players thought Nintendo's Super NES

was the better of the two.

Game Gear was the star of the hand-held competition. It won almost 92% of the gamer vote, trouncing Game Boy's paltry 8%. All in all, Sega was proclaimed the most awesome video game company by a margin of almost 9 to 1.

So there it is. Segaphiles. Cold. hard statistics that prove we're the hottest in the video gaming world. And getting hotter all the time!

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Puett (Life Goes On), members of The Party (recording artists). Macaulay Culkin Brown (MTV) and many professional athletes all play video games, just like you! Jason Rich is the author

of an exciting new book called Celebrity Teen Talk: Exclusive 40 big-name celebrities talking about themselves and their favorite video games. The book contains hundreds of game

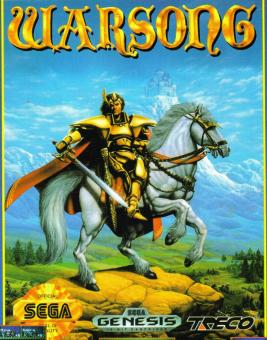


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> Talk: Exclusive Reviews at bookstores

Starting in the next issue, author Jason Rich will be writing a regular column for Sega VISIONS, which will take Hollywood to find out what Sega games America's hottest stars are playing! You'll get the the same games you are, who gets stuck in the same places. and you'll even get a few of the

line to Hollywood, and he



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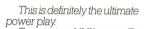
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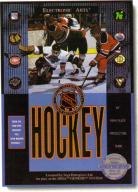
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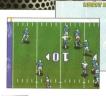
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